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## HUNS PLANNED INVASION OF ENGLAND

Seven Arrests by Police  
in Atholstan Dynamite Case

Successful Offensive by  
French Force at Hurtebise

Russ Church to Undergo  
a Campaign of Reforms

### Confession Made by Von Moltke Ten Years Ago

#### USERS OF DYNAMITE ARRESTED

Seven Anti-Conscriptionists  
Arrested by Police in  
Montreal  
HELD AS SUSPECTS.  
Accused of Being Responsi-  
ble For Destruction of  
Atholstan Home

By Courier Leased Wire.  
Montreal, Sept. 1.—The police this  
morning arrested seven anti-con-  
scriptionists in connection with the dynamiting  
of the country home of Lord  
Atholstan.

Lord Atholstan's house was dynamited  
Aug. 9. Six men in an auto-  
mobile were seen driving away from  
the vicinity in the early hours of the  
morning. Lord Atholstan had re-  
ceived numerous letters threatening  
him with death on account of the  
conscription policy of his paper, the  
Montreal Star.

Seven men, Ed Lalumiere,  
brother of Elie Lalumiere, head of  
the constitutionalists, was arrested,  
charged with having in his possession  
a stolen automobile. Elie Lalumiere  
was arrested by the Dominion  
police on Wednesday. The roundup  
of the dynamiters began yesterday.  
On Thursday the police, with the aid  
of the military, surrounded and  
searched a house found to contain  
rifles, cartridges and dynamite.  
The court house here this morning  
was crowded from an early hour  
with anti-conscriptionist sympathiz-  
ers with Elie Lalumiere, whose re-  
lease on a writ of habeas corpus had  
been applied for, and A. Langevin  
and X. Gauthier, two men arrested  
by the police in last night's abortive  
attempt at demonstrating against  
the military service act for carrying  
concealed weapons.

The features of the arguments on  
the habeas corpus writ for Lalumiere,  
was the announcement by  
Captain Carter, Dominion police officer,  
that after he had secured all the  
information he required from the  
prisoner, he had offered him his free-  
dom, but Lalumiere had refused it.  
As protection the police had kept  
him in the immigration offices. He  
had now been formally arrested on a  
warrant charging him with at-  
tempted murder.

Anti-conscriptionists last night  
broke into the store of Duffault of  
Reid, Ontario street, hardware mer-  
chants, and robbed the premises of  
all the knives and revolvers there.  
The pursuance of its policy of  
crushing demonstrations of anti-con-  
scriptionists in the streets, the police  
have ordered that no banners dealing  
with the military service act shall be  
displayed in the parade on Labor  
Day.

WEATHER BULLETIN  
Toronto, Sept. 1.—A pronounced  
area of high pressure covers our  
eastern provinces and the Atlantic  
states while a low with its centre  
near Hudson's Bay and through ex-  
tending southward to the great lakes  
is moving slowly eastward. Show-  
ers occurred early this morning in  
the eastern and northern areas, but  
the weather is fine over the greater  
part of the Dominion.  
Forecast:  
Moderate southerly winds fair and  
warm; showers in some localities  
to-night and early Sunday. Sunday  
westerly winds and mostly fair.

#### Viscount Haldane Reveals Secret Chapter in History of Pre-War Negotiations With Germany; Plans Were Drawn in 1906 For The Invasion of Britain

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, Sept. 1.—Important revelations, which form a valuable chapter in the history of British and German negotiations during the eight years before the war are published by The Manchester Guardian today. The revelations are a detailed account of the negotiations which Richard Burdon Haldane (now Viscount Haldane), then secretary for war, conducted with Emperor William, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German imperial chancellor, Admiral von Tirpitz, minister of the German navy and other German leaders, including striking conversations.

Haldane was the foremost student of Germany among the British public men and his career has been a storm centre since the war, the gist of the attacks upon him being based on a charge that he knew of Germany's designs, but had re-assured his fellow countrymen that all was well.

The Manchester Guardian prefaces the article with the following:  
"We hold no brief for Lord Haldane. Indeed, on the whole question of secret diplomacy—a diplomacy so secret that its workings in even very vital particulars are not always known beyond the bounds of an inner cabinet—we hold a view quite different from that which he and too many statesmen have been accused to act upon."

Haldane visited Germany in September 1906 as minister of war. He was working in close connection with Sir Edward Grey (then foreign minister). He took part first in conversations with the French general staff. The idea of these conversations was if Germany attacked France, Great Britain should be prepared to give military assistance and help hold the frontier opposite Belgium.

Haldane was convinced that assistance could not be given France within a reasonable time, and bent all his thoughts toward organization for extreme rapidity in mobilization and transports, which meant complete reorganization of the British army.

Emperor William read a speech Haldane made to London Germans and invited him to attend the manoeuvres. Haldane was anxious to get useful information about the German organization so he accepted. On his way he visited King Edward, who was stopping at Marienbad. "He there saw King Ferdinand of Bulgaria," says The Guardian, "who was worrying King Edward with a project, that, if the rumor is true, boded no good to Greece. King Edward very properly did not want to talk politics with Ferdinand. He told Lord Haldane that he must put an end to all of Ferdinand's conversations with himself, who could act only through my ministers."

Haldane not desiring to hear Ferdinand's projects against Greece talked so volubly on other topics that Ferdinand could not get in a word edgewise.

The Guardian then relates a story of an English author of how Emperor William at the grand review galloped up to Haldane, who stood with a top hat and frock coat in his carriage, and said:  
"A splendid machine I have in this army, Mr. Haldane. Isn't it so?"

What could I do without it situated as I am between the Russians and the French. But the French are your allies so I beg your pardon."

Haldane replied that it would be quite comfortable.  
Haldane and two assistants went thoroughly into the organization of the German war office, rubbing some of the officials the wrong way. They afterwards thawed out, however. Lieutenant General von Moltke of the general staff, in a conversation

asked Haldane to put whatever questions he liked.  
"In that case," replied Haldane, "I shall call for the plans for an invasion of England."  
Von Moltke replied:  
"We have not one in the building," to which Haldane, looking out of the window towards the Admiralty, said:  
"Perhaps they are there," von Moltke admitted that they were there and that they were very good plans

too.  
The article gives for the first time Emperor William's negotiation of the Baghdad railway agreement. While visiting Windsor Castle in November, 1907, Emperor William took Haldane aside the first evening of his visit and said how sorry he was there was so much friction over the Baghdad railway.  
"My answer was we wanted a gate to protect India from troops coming down the new railway," said Haldane. Asked what he meant by

a gate, Haldane replied that he meant control of the farthest off section of the gateway—the one nearest the Persian Gulf. To this Emperor William replied:  
"I will give you the gate."  
The foreign office regarded the negotiations favorably, but it was considered necessary to bring in France and Russia, whose interests also were involved.

A conference in Berlin of the four powers was arranged with the support  
(Continued on page eight)

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Thirty-three permits were issued at the office of the city engineer during the month of August, for a total value of \$10,975. This is a decrease of \$90,495 as compared with the corresponding month of 1916.

#### OBJECTIVES CARRIED BY THE FRENCH

Successful Offensive Launched Yesterday In Hurtebise Region

By Courier Leased Wire.  
Paris, Sept. 1.—French troops on the Alsace front opened an offensive yesterday afternoon in the Hurtebise region. In one sweep they carried out their objective on a front of more than three quarters of a mile to a depth of more than 300 yards. The captured ground, says the official statement, making this announcement, was held against three counter-attacks. Prisoners to the number of 150 were taken. The attack was opened after strong artillery preparation.

#### THE WAR VETERANS.

The War Veterans will attend Divine service at the First Baptist to-morrow evening. There will be special music by the choir. Mrs. Dr. Nichol and Mrs. Seccord will sing. The pastor will preach on "Deliverance from our enemies." Special mention will be made of two who have recently fallen in action; members of the congregation.

BACK ON DUTY.  
Chief of Police Slemin returned to duty this morning after a week's vacation spent at Bradford and Toronto. While on his holidays, the chief visited Camp Borden, over which he is highly enthusiastic. "It is a beautiful and magnificent place," he said this morning.

#### ITALIAN POET WOUNDED WHEN RAIDING POLA

Gabriele d'Annunzio's Airplane Pierced by 177 Bullets in Raid

Paris, Sept. 1.—Gabriele d'Annunzio, the Italian poet, took a prominent part in the recent Italian air raid over the enemy lines above Pola and was wounded slightly, according to a Havas despatch from Milan. On the morning of August 15, d'Annunzio remained over the enemy lines for forty eight minutes at an altitude of between 300 and 800 metres, attacking the Austrian infantry with machine gun fire. He repeated the performance in the afternoon.  
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